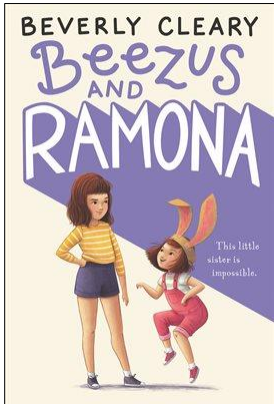


Lucy Robbins Welles Library

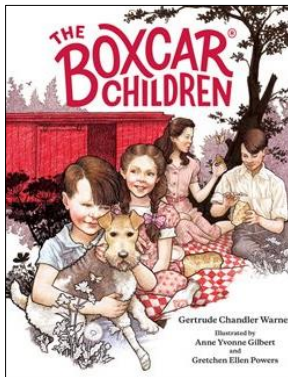
HOOPLA Book List for 3rd and 4th Graders



Beverly Cleary delivers a humorous portrayal of the ups and downs of sisterhood in her book Beezus and Ramona. Both the younger and older siblings of the family will enjoy this book.

Having a little sister like four-year-old Ramona isn't always easy for Beezus Quimby. With a wild imagination, disregard for order, and an appetite for chaos, Ramona makes it hard for Beezus to be the responsible older sister she knows she ought to be...especially when Ramona threatens to ruin Beezus's birthday party. Will Beezus find the patience to handle her little sister before Ramona turns her big day into a complete disaster?

Other books about Beezus and Ramona by Beverly Cleary can be found on HOOPLA.

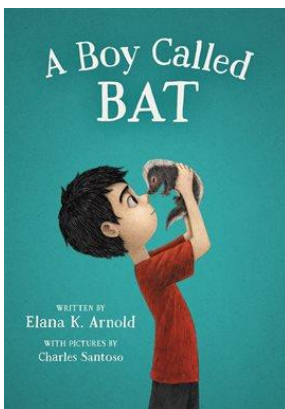


Book 1 of the Boxcar Children series by Gertrude Chandler Warner

One warm night four children stood in front of a bakery. No one knew them. No one knew where they had come from.

They were four orphan siblings Henry, Jessie, Violet, and Benny. Can they find a home where they can stay together as a family? They begin their adventure by making a home in a boxcar. Their goal is to stay together, and in the process, they find a grandfather.

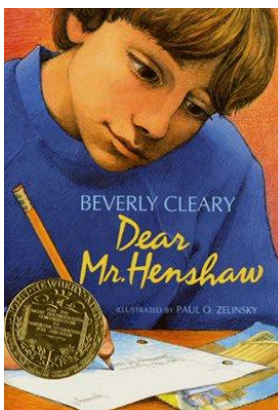
Enjoy other *Boxcar Children* books by Gertrude Chandler Warner on HOOPLA.



A Boy Called Bat, is about an unforgettable young boy on the autism spectrum, by Elana K. Arnold.

For Bixby Alexander Tam (nicknamed Bat), life tends to be full of surprises-some of them good, some not so good. Today, though, is a good-surprise day. Bat's mom, a veterinarian, has brought home a baby skunk, which she needs to take care of until she can hand him over to a wild-animal shelter. But the minute Bat meets the kit, he knows they belong together. And he's got one month to show his mom that a baby skunk might just make a pretty terrific pet.

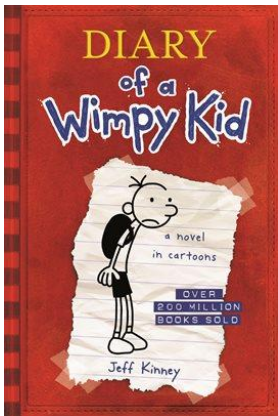
Read book two, *BAT and the Waiting Game*, on HOOPLA.



Beverly Cleary's book, Dear Mr. Henshaw, explores difficult topics through the thoughts and emotions of a sixth-grade boy as he writes to his favorite author, Boyd Henshaw.

After his parents separate, Leigh Botts moves to a new town with his mother. Struggling to make friends and deal with his anger toward his absent father, Leigh loses himself in a class assignment in which he must write to his favorite author. When Mr. Henshaw responds, the two form an unexpected friendship that will change Leigh's life forever.

Enjoy other Beverly Cleary books on HOOPLA.

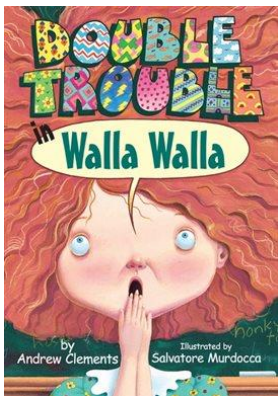


Book 1 of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series by Jeff Kinney

It's a new school year, and Greg Heffley finds himself thrust into middle school, where undersized weaklings share the hallways with kids who are taller, meaner, and already shaving. The hazards of growing up before you're ready are uniquely revealed through words and drawings as Greg records them in his diary.

In book one of this series, Greg is happy to have Rowley, his sidekick, along for the ride. But when Rowley's star starts to rise, Greg tries to use his best friend's newfound popularity to his own advantage, kicking off a chain of events that will test their friendship in hilarious fashion.

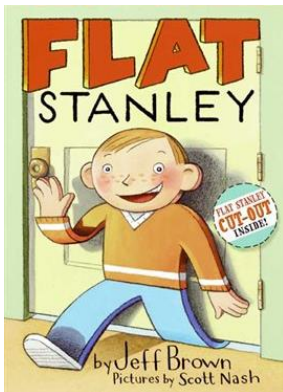
Also read Jeff Kinney's *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* books 2 - 14 on HOOPLA.



In Andrew Clements humorous story Double Trouble in Walla Walla, it was an ordinary Monday morning in Walla Walla-until Lulu walked up to her English teacher's desk.

"Mrs. Bell, I feel like a nit-wit. My homework is all higgledy-piggledy. Last night it was in tip-top shape, but not it's a big mish-mash." With those few words, things become not so ordinary after all, for it seems that Lulu has opened up a super-duper, helter-skelter WORD WARP.

Luckily for Lulu and the rest of the English-speaking world, the school nurse has an idea about how to handle this hodge-podge of topsy-turvy chit-chat. Will it work? Zig-Zag through the jibber-jabber and the yakety-yak to find out!

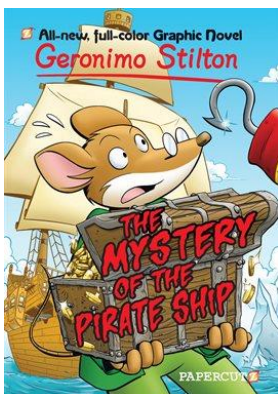


The original story of the Flat Stanley series by Jeff Brown

In this first Flat Stanley book, join Stanley and the rest of the Lambchop family on the adventure that started it all!

When Stanley Lambchop wakes up one morning, his brother, Arthur, is yelling. A bulletin board fell on Stanley during the night, and now he is only half an inch thick! Amazing things begin happening to him. Stanley gets rolled up, mailed, and flown like a kite. He even gets to help catch two dangerous art thieves. He may be flat, but he's a hero.

Flat Stanley chapter books by Jeff Brown can be found on HOOPLA.

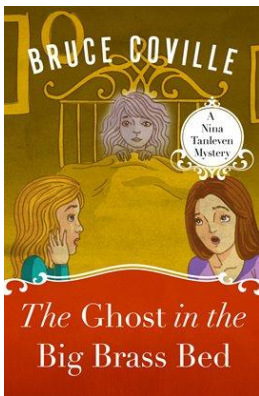


Geronimo Stilton

The Pirate Cats travel to the 18th Century to do what they do best — be pirates! So they steal an old ship sailing on the Indian Ocean to pillage the East India Company's merchant ships! It's up to Geronimo Stilton to travel through time, become a sailor, and stop the cats from changing history forever!

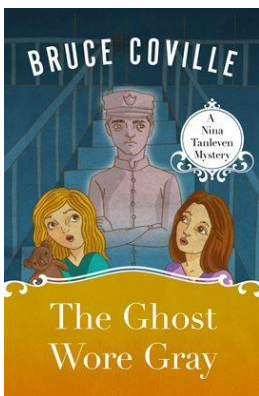
Will Geronimo get his sea legs in time to save the day?

Enjoy other *Geronimo Stilton* books on HOOPLA.



In Bruce Coville's book, The Ghost in the Big Brass Bed, Nina and her best friend explore a haunted mansion, where they must reunite the ghosts of father and daughter before it's too late.

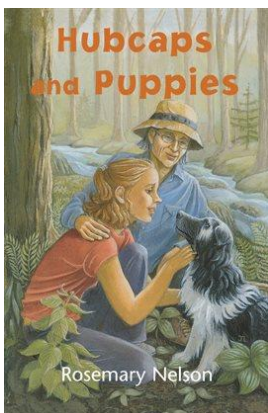
Nina and her best friend, Chris, haven't known each other long, but they've already shared enough ghostly adventures for a lifetime. Now working at an antique shop in town, Nina and Chris encounter their latest spooky predicament while inspecting some classic furniture located high in the tower of an old mansion. In a creepy bedroom sits a magnificent brass bed, and-to their surprise-the crying ghost of a little girl. When they stumble across a second spirit, who resembles the girl's father, Nina and Chris know one thing for sure: Something is amiss in the big house, and all the antiques in the world couldn't be more exciting than getting to the truth.



In Bruce Coville's book, The Ghost Wore Gray, Nina, the world's number-one sixth-grade ghost buster, embarks on a treasure hunt with help from the ghost of a Civil War soldier.

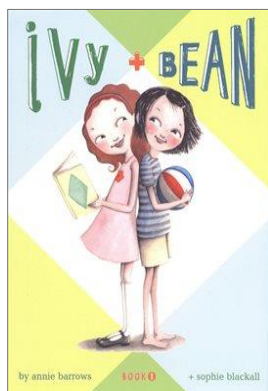
When Nina's architect father agrees to renovate a three-story inn, it's the perfect opportunity for Nina and her best friend, Chris, to investigate rumors that the rambling old building is haunted. It isn't long before they learn the truth: Not only is the place haunted by the ghost of a Confederate soldier, it also holds secrets that lead to a buried treasure! The soldier hid his trove as a gift for the New York abolitionist who cared for him before he died, and his last wish is to see it unearthed.

The clock is ticking as Nina and Chris race to solve the phantom's mysterious clues. But they aren't the only ones seeking the valuable bounty. Can they manage to find it first?



It's not easy having your own father for a teacher, but that's only one of twelve-year-old Nikki's problems. Her beloved dog has died, leaving a gaping hole in her life, which is thrown into further turmoil by the arrival of her long-lost eccentric grandmother from Australia. Life is pretty tense around Nikki's house, but Nikki relaxes by taking long rides on her horse and visiting a nearby secluded pond inhabited by a rare species of turtle. Things get brighter when she receives an unwanted, runt puppy as a birthday present. As she and her grandmother begin working together, they eventually become friends. When Nikki finds out that developers are planning to fill in her special pond to build a housing estate, wiping out the turtles' habitat, she decides to take a dangerous stand on the animals' behalf. But can she really take on a big developer and win?

Rosemary Nelson's Hubcaps and Puppies is a fast-moving and energetic story, with realistic and believable characters and situations.

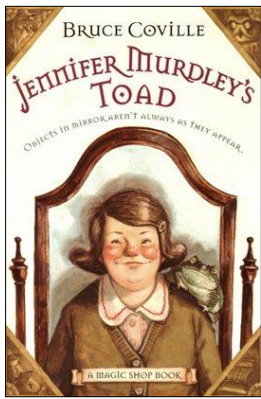


Book 1 of the Ivy and Bean series by Annie Barrows

The moment they saw each other, Bean and Ivy knew they wouldn't be friends. But when Bean plays a joke on her sister, Nancy, and has to hide, quick! Ivy comes to the rescue, proving that sometimes the best of friends are people never meant to like each other.

Vibrant characters and lots of humor make this a charming and addictive series.

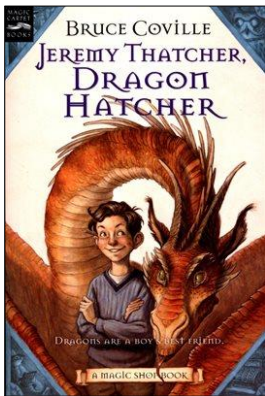
Find many more Ivy and Bean books on HOOPLA.



A *Magic Shop* book: Jennifer Murdley's Toad by Bruce Coville

Jennifer Murdley, a homely fifth-grader who would give anything to be beautiful, accidentally stumbles into a magic shop and purchases a very ugly toad.

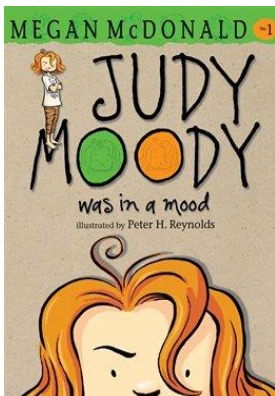
The toad, it turns out, can talk and ends up getting Jennifer into the worst trouble of her life. This madcap, head-spinning adventure is also a thought-provoking story about the nature of true beauty.



A *Magic Shop* book: Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher by Bruce Coville

When Jeremy Thatcher stumbles into Mr. Elives' magic shop, a shop he has never seen before, he enters, and his life is changed forever.

Buying what he thinks is a marble, he discovers he has really purchased a dragon's egg. When it hatches, Jeremy's wildest dreams take wing.

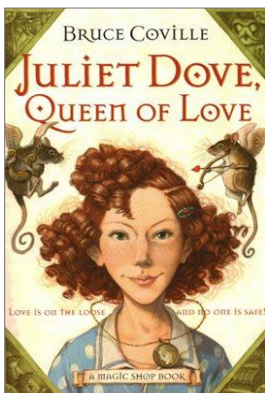


Judy Moody was in a Mood book 1 of the *Judy Moody* series by Megan McDonald

To start, Judy Moody doesn't have high hopes for third grade. Her new desk won't have an armadillo sticker with her name on it. Her new classroom will not have a porcupine named Roger. And with her luck, she'll get stuck sitting in the first row, where Mr. Todd will notice every time she tries to pass a note to her best friend, Rocky.

An aspiring doctor, Judy does have a little brother who comes in handy for practicing medicine, a cool new pet, and a huge Band-Aid collection. Judy also has an abundance of individuality and attitude, and when Mr. Todd assigns a very special class project, she really gets a chance to express herself!

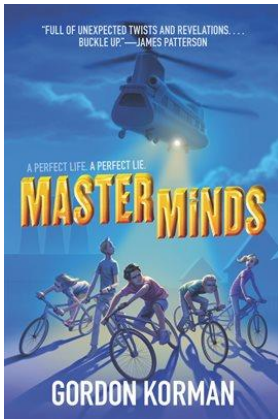
Enjoy other Judy Moody books on HOOPLA.



A *Magic Shop* book: Juliet Dove, Queen of Love by Bruce Coville

Shy Juliet Dove leaves Mr. Elives' magic shop with Helen of Troy's amulet--a virtual man magnet. Juliet doesn't know what she's got, but soon every boy in town is swoony for her. Yet, much as she'd like to lose all the unwanted attention, she can't: The amulet won't come off!

A sidesplittingly funny, heartbreaking whirlwind of a book about the high cost of loving.



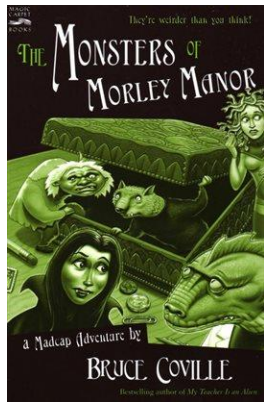
Master Minds is an action-packed trilogy from author Gordon Korman.

Eli Frieden has never left Serenity, New Mexico...why would he ever want to? Then one day, he bikes to the edge of the city limits and something so crazy and unexpected happens, it changes everything.

Eli convinces his friends to help him investigate further, and soon it becomes clear that nothing is as it seems in Serenity. The clues mount to reveal a shocking discovery, connecting their ideal crime-free community to some of the greatest criminal masterminds ever known.

The kids realize they can trust no one-least of all their own parents.

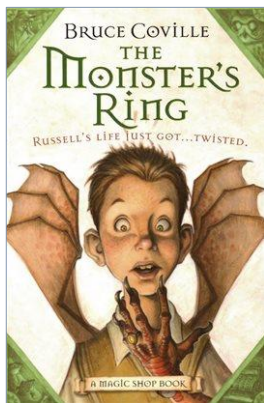
Read Books 2 & 3, Criminal Destiny & Criminal Destiny, on HOOPLA.



When Anthony Walker bought five brass monsters at Morley Manor, he didn't suspect that they were real - or that thawing them out of their frozen sleep would pull him and his sister, Sarah, into a galaxy spanning adventure. But soon those two brave kids have to deal with monsters, aliens, giant frogs, a tragic angel- and an eerie trip to the land of the dead. Anthony and Sarah now have the fate of Earth in their hands!

The Monsters of Morley Manor is filled with weirdness, laughs and spooky thrills!

A madcap adventure-comedy-fantasy-mystery by Bruce Coville.

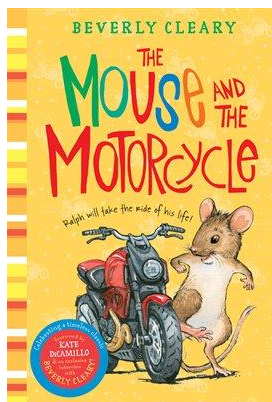


A *Magic Shop* book: The Monster's Ring by Bruce Coville

Twist it once, you're horned and haired;
Twist it twice and fangs are bared;
Twist it thrice? No one has dared!

Russell is sure that the ring he gets at Mr. Elives' shop is just a silly magic trick, but he follows the instructions and twists the ring twice anyway--and becomes a monster!

What does Russell do next?

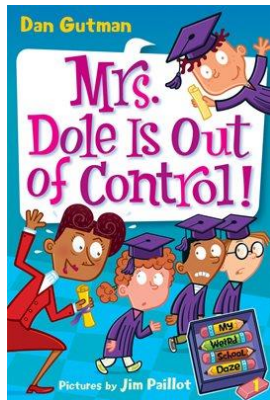


The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary

In this imaginative adventure a young mouse named Ralph is thrown into a world of excitement when a boy and his shiny toy motorcycle check in to the Mountain View Inn.

When the ever-curious Ralph spots Keith's red toy motorcycle, he vows to ride it. So, when Keith leaves the bike unattended in his room one day, Ralph makes his move. But with all this freedom (and speed!) come a lot of obstacles. Whether dodging a rowdy terrier or keeping his nosy cousins away from his new wheels, Ralph has a lot going on! And with a pal like Keith always looking out for him, there's nothing this little mouse can't handle.

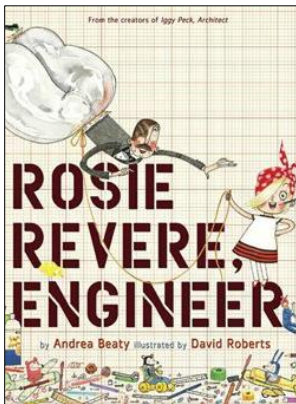
HOOPLA also has Runaway Ralph and Ralph S. Mouse in the *Ralph Mouse* series.



In this book, Mrs. Dole Is Out of Control, A.J. and the gang are graduating! But the out-of-control PTA president is turning the whole thing into a huge ceremony, complete with fireworks, a petting zoo, and a flyover by the Blue Angels! Why is moving up to third grade such a big deal? And what could possibly go wrong?

Don't miss the hilarious adventures of A.J. and the gang!

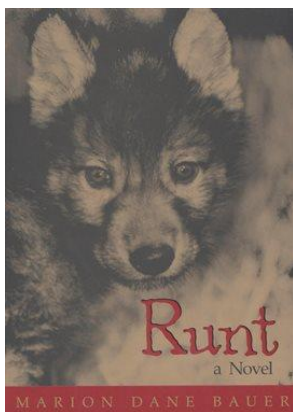
Read more *My Weird School* books by Dan Gutman on HOOPLA.



In Rosie Revere, Engineer by Andrea Beaty, Rosie dreamed of becoming a great engineer. Where some people see rubbish, Rosie sees inspiration. Alone in her room at night, shy Rosie constructs great inventions from odds and ends. Hot dog dispensers, helium pants, python-repelling cheese hats: Rosie's gizmos would astound-if she ever let anyone see them.

Afraid of failure, she hides them away under her bed. Until a fateful visit from her great-great-aunt Rose, who shows her that the first flop isn't something to fear-it's something to celebrate. And you can only truly fail, if you quit.

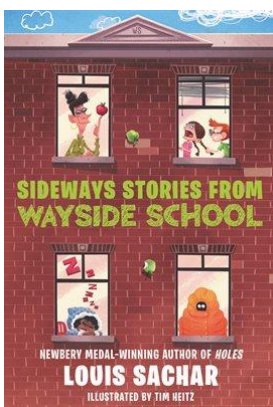
Don't miss Rosie's further adventures, with friends Iggy Peck and Ada Twist, on HOOPLA.



Runt, a beautiful story written by Marion Dane Bauer takes place in the north woods of Minnesota where four healthy wolf pups -Leader, Sniffer, Runner, Thinker, and one undersized pup, Runt -are born one spring. Despite his size, Runt manages to keep up with his brothers and sisters and learn the ways of the pack.

Runt finds it impossible to please his father, the pack's leader, and gradually withdraws from the others. When he ventures into forbidden human territory, Runt at last comes to understand his mistakes and to recognize his own worth.

Other books by Marion Dane Bauer can also be found on HOOPLA.

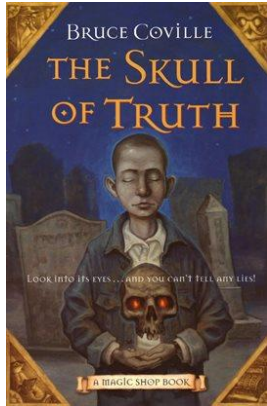


Author Louis Sachar knows how to make readers laugh. And there are laughs galore in Sideways Stories from Wayside School!

Accidentally built sideways and standing thirty stories high (the builder said he was very sorry for the mistake), Wayside School has some of the wackiest classes in town, especially on the thirtieth floor.

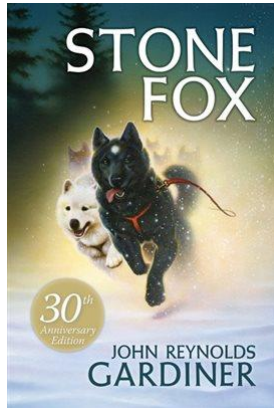
That's where you'll meet Bebe, the fastest draw in art class; John, who only reads upside down; Myron, the best class president, ever; and Sammy, the new kid-he's a real rat.

If you enjoyed this first book check on HOOPLA for books 2 and 3, *Wayside School Is Falling Down* and *Wayside School Gets A Little Stranger*.



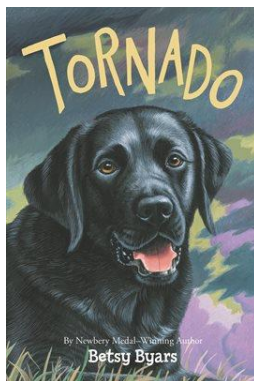
A *Magic Shop* book: The Skull of Truth by Bruce Coville

Mr. Elives's magic shop is back, and this time it is on the other side of Tucker's Swamp. And Tucker's Swamp is where Charlie Eggleston heads to escape a beating for lying. Charlie can't seem to keep from lying, though sometimes his lies are for a good cause. When Charlie stumbles into Mr. Elives's magic shop, his eyes light upon The Skull. Charlie steals The Skull and it puts him under some sort of spell, he can only tell the truth. Trouble is, now no one believes him.



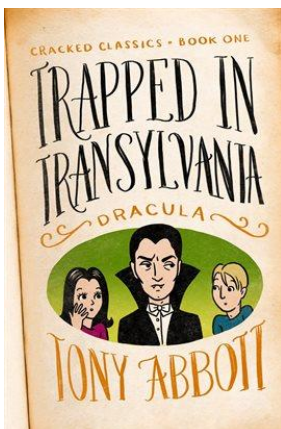
John Reynolds Gardiner's Stone Fox tells the story of Willy, who lives with his grandfather in Wyoming. When Grandfather falls ill, he is no longer able to work the farm, which is in danger of foreclosure. Willy is determined to win the National Dogsled Race, for the prize money would save the farm and his grandfather. But he isn't the only one who desperately wants to win.

Willy and his brave dog Searchlight must face off against experienced racers, including a Native American man named Stone Fox, who has never lost a race.



Tornado by Betsy Byars

A tornado appears in the distance, and Pete, the farmhand, gathers everyone into the storm cellar. While they wait for the storm to pass, he tells the family about a tornado that struck when he was a boy—a twister that blew in a doghouse, complete with a dog inside! Pete tells everyone how he soon learned that this dog, whom he named Tornado, was no ordinary dog—he played card tricks, once saved a turtle's life, and had a life-long rivalry with the family cat. By the time Pete tells all of Tornado's remarkable stories, the storm has passed, and Tornado's antics have entertained another family of farmers.

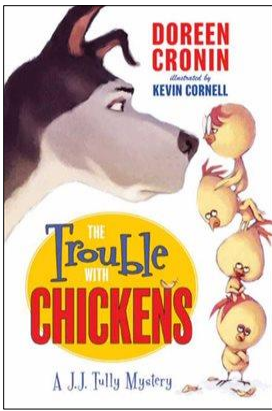


Trapped in Transylvania, book 1 of the *Cracked Classics* series by Tony Abbott

Best friends Devin and Frankie hate reading. When they are busted for not reading the book *Dracula* their English teacher sends them to the library to mend books as punishment.

As the friends fight about who has to mend *Dracula*, the book flies out of their hands and lands between the library's broken security gates. Suddenly, a gigantic crack appears in the wall, and Frankie, Devin, and the book are all sucked inside. When they land, they realize they're not in the library anymore; they're in *Dracula*! To escape from the book, Devin and Frankie have to battle Count Dracula with the help of some new friends - and a little bit of garlic.

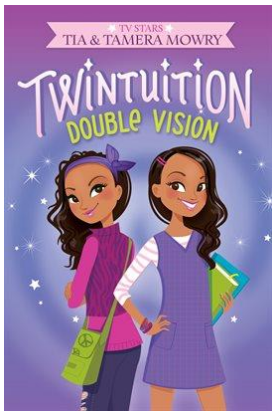
Can they make it to the end of the story before becoming Dracula's midnight snack?



Doreen Cronin's The Trouble with Chickens is book 1 of the J.J. Tully Mystery series.

J.J. Tully is a former search-and-rescue dog who is trying to enjoy his retirement after years of performing daring missions saving lives. So, he's not terribly impressed when two chicks named Dirt and Sugar (who look like popcorn on legs) and their chicken mom show up demanding his help to find their missing siblings. Driven by the promise of a cheeseburger, J.J. begins to track down clues. Is Vince the Funnel hiding something? Are there dark forces at work-or is J.J. not smelling the evidence that's right in front of him?

Book 2 *The Legend Of Diamond Lil* also on HOOPLA.

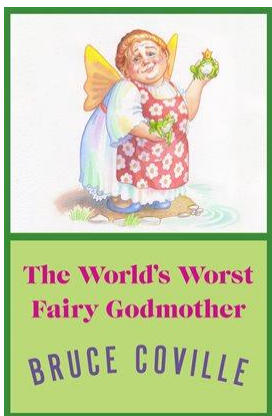


Twintuition Double Vision by Tia and Tamera Mowry

Cassie and Caitlyn discovery that they have the ability to see things before they occur!

When their mother's new job forces them to move from bustling San Antonio to middle-of-nowhere Aura, Texas, Caitlyn tries to stay positive, focusing on meeting new people and having new adventures. Cassie, on the other hand, is convinced that it's only a matter of time until they'll be sick of Aura and ready to move back to the big city. But being the new kids isn't their only challenge. The girls start experiencing strange visions, and they must work together to change the future before it can happen.

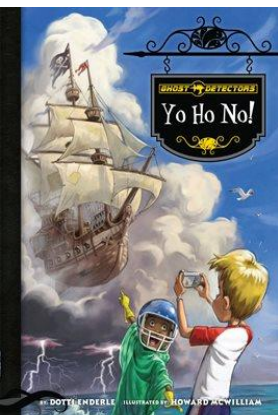
HOOPLA also has *Twintuition Double Trouble* #2 and *Twintuition Double Dare* #3.



The World's Worst Fairy Godmother by Bruce Coville

Maybelle, a hapless fairy godmother, was only trying to help. Maybe that's the problem—every time she tries to help, her magic makes things worse. This time, her spell was supposed to turn a frog into a prince, but instead it turned a princess into a frog! For more than a century, every spell she's cast has backfired, and now her boss is fed up. She has one last chance to make things right—or she'll lose her wings forever.

Maybelle's job is to help Susan learn to be a regular kid, but there's a mischief-loving imp working against her. Saving Susan will take a new kind of spell—and a special brand of magic that only Maybelle has to offer.



In Yo Ho No! Malcolm's favorite ghost hunting show, Ghost Stalkers, travels city to city searching for spirits. And now they've come to Malcolm's hometown!

When the Ghost Stalkers bumble their chance of filming the Flying Hornswaggle, a legendary ghost ship, Malcolm and Dandy set out to get a picture of their own. But the ghostly pirates of the Hornswaggle have a different plan for the boys. Can the Ghost Detectors find pirate treasure and still be home for dinner? Or will they be singing "Yo Ho No!" forever?

HOOPLA has other *Ghost Detectors* series books by Dotti Enderle.